

Dear FCC,

As the TeleHealth Coordinator for Poudre Valley Health System and the Chairman of the Board of the High Plains Rural Health Network I support the following recommendations:

- 1) Expand the eligible facilities to include any rural not-for-profit health care entity that has a valid Medicare/Medicaid provider number,
- 2) Reimburse telecommunications connections to any area in the state, or any area that is a population of 50,000 regardless of state boundaries,
- 3) eliminate the MAD calculation,
- 4) Streamline the application, particularly for re-application of subsidy,
- 5) Post all rates provided by telecommunications carriers,

Thank you for your consideration of these matters.

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